



PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of

Docket No: Q68736

Hironobu ISHIKAWA, et al.

Appln. No.: 10/090,267

Group Art Unit: 2627

Confirmation No.: 6535

Examiner: David Donald Davis

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RESPONSE TO ELECTION OF SPECIES REQUIREMENT

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Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

In response to the Election of Species Requirement dated June 30, 2006, Applicants elect Species IV (Figure 8, column 2, row 1) for prosecution, without traverse. Claims 1-28 and 43-49 read thereon. Applicant reserves the right to file a Divisional application directed to non-elected subject matter.

The USPTO is directed and authorized to charge all required fees, except for the Issue Fee and the Publication Fee, to Deposit Account No. 19-4880. Please also credit any overpayments to said Deposit Account.

Respectfully submitted,

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